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Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 19 September 2008, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-third session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects" and to allocate it to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee).

2. The Fourth Committee considered the item at its 15th to 18th meetings, on 23, 24, 27 and 28 October 2008, and held a general debate on the item at its 16th to 18th meetings, on 24, 27, and 28 October (see A/C.4/63/SR.15-18).

3. At the 15th meeting, on 23 October, the Chairman of the Committee, the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations and the Under-Secretary-General for Field Support made statements (see A/C.4/63/SR.15).

4. After the close of the 15th meeting, the Committee held a closed interactive dialogue on the item with the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations and the Under-Secretary-General for Field Support.

5. In the course of the interactive dialogue, the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations and the Under-Secretary-General for Field Support heard comments and responded to questions from Member States.

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